

Response to Official Action

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Please amend the abstract to read as indicated below:

A process is described for distributing network configuration settings throughout a network having comprising a set of devices[,]. The process includes including the steps of: establishing in at least one device a description of the network environment; detecting in the said at least one device a request from a newly connected requesting device; in response starting a first timer with a first period dependent on a predetermined criterion; and transmitting network setting to the said requesting device network settings after the expiration of the said first period.